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Effective date of designated awards.

38 U. S. C., note fol. ch. 12; Supp. I, note fol. ch. 12.
55 Stat. 844.

SEC. 4. That notwithstanding any provision of law or veterans regulation, awards of death pension granted under part II of Veterans Regulation Numbered 1 (a), as amended or under Public Law 359, Seventy-seventh Congress, approved December 19, 1941, shall be effective as of the day following the date of death of the veteran, if claim is filed within one year following the date of death.

Approved, July 30, 1942.

[CHAPTER 540]

AN ACT

August 1, 1942
[S. 2322]
[Public Law 691]

To extend the time limit for cooperation between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Farm Security Administration in the development of farm units on public lands under Federal Reclamation projects.

Farm units on public lands.
53 Stat. 1238; 54 Stat. 402; 55 Stat. 266.
43 U. S. C., Supp. I, § 433 note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of August 7, 1939 (Public, Numbered 307, Seventy-sixth Congress, first session), as amended by the Act of June 17, 1940 (Public, Numbered 636, Seventy-sixth Congress, third session), and as amended by the Act of May 28, 1941 (Public, Numbered 77, Seventy-seventh Congress, first session), is hereby further amended by striking out "during the fiscal year 1942", and by inserting in lieu thereof "during the fiscal year 1943".

Approved, August 1, 1942.

[CHAPTER 541]

AN ACT

August 1, 1942
[S. 2440]
[Public Law 692]

For the relief of the Bridgeport irrigation district.

Bridgeport irrigation district, Nebr.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the contract of June 14, 1915, between the United States and the Bridgeport irrigation district, North Platte reclamation project, and the indebtedness of the district thereunder for operation and maintenance charges delinquent under said contract for the years 1926 to 1942, both inclusive, be, and the same are hereby, canceled and released, and that the judgment entered on July 30, 1929, in the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska against the district and in favor of the United States be, and the same is hereby, released and discharged: *Provided*, That the $23,286 heretofore paid under the contract of June 14, 1915, shall be retained by the United States for the benefits heretofore received by the district under said contract: *And provided further*, That the water right of the district under its Nebraska appropriation, upon the approval of this Act, shall be in the same legal status under the laws of Nebraska as if said contract of June 14, 1915, had never been executed.

Cancelation of contract and discharge of judgment.

Provisos.
Retention of amount paid.

Water right.

Approved, August 1, 1942.

[CHAPTER 542]

AN ACT

August 1, 1942
[S. 2645]
[Public Law 693]

To amend article of war 50½.

General courts martial in distant commands.
10 U. S. C. § 1522.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the third and fifth paragraphs of article of war 50½ (41 Stat. 797–799), as amended by the Act approved August 20, 1937 (50 Stat. 724), be further amended by adding a further proviso at the end of each of said paragraphs as follows: "*Provided further*, That whenever a branch of the office of the Judge Advocate General is established, under the provisions of the last paragraph of this article, with a distant com-

Functions of commanding general.